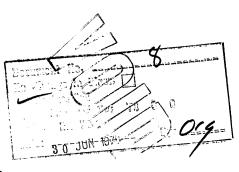
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- 1. The appearance of two strange new maladies is reported which afflicted large numbers of Soviet soldiers and Hungarian soldiers from the Hungadi Regiment, all of whom had been on maneuvers near Pécs near the Yugoslav border. The incapacitated soldiers were held in unidentified "army hospitals" in Hungary. The simpler of the two illnesses is characterized by superficial blisters all over the bodies of the men, and while extremely uncomfortable was not fatal. The second malady is characterized by deep infections in the flesh, again all over the body, and they are described as becoming almost cancerous in appearance. This illness is fatal.
- 2. Both types of sickness made their first appearance in June, and it is believed that they both are caused by mysterious new weapons. The superficial blisters are supposed to be caused by an instrument which resembles a flame thrower which, instead of throwing flames, produces fumes. The more serious imfection is alleged to be caused by a completely mysterious weapon which causes small particles of motal to be driven into the body. The infections are them produced by the motal. Just why the Soviet and Hungarian soldiers had become victims of these new weapons was not stated.

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